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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing  
is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s)  
according to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.41(c).

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For: IMAGE COLLECTION APPARATUS AND METHOD

Enclosed are:

- X A specification consisting of 60 pages
- X 26 sheet(s) of Formal drawings
- X Certified copy of Priority Document(s)
- X Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 CFR 1.64 will follow
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37  
CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27
- Preliminary Amendment
- X Information Sheet
- X Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 with reference(s)

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